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RE: DOCKET NO. 98N-1265

To the FDA:

I send this letter as a consumer of health care services to register my concern and disapproval of the Memorandum of Understanding as published by the FDA on January 8, 1999.

In its present form, the MOU, as well as the Compounding Section 503A of the Modernization Act, severely restricts the rights of the physicians and patients to obtain healthcare products from the provider of their choice. It also infringes on the rights of compounding pharmacists to serve the public's medical needs. As a healthcare consumer there should be no restrictions to the delivery of compounded medication prescribed for me, regardless of where I live or travel. The MOU must be amended!!!

The FDA is an agency of the U.S. Government that purports to be the "watchdog" for consumer safety. THIS IS NOT A SAFETY ISSUE!! As a governmental agency, the FDA also has a responsibility to be accountable to the people. Once again, the MOU must be amended!!

Comments:

*Comfortable health will be hugely jeopardized by allowing the distribution restrictions described in the present MOU. Please amend.*

Signed: Betty Decker

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*I order natural Progesterone from the Women's International Pharmacy in Madison, Wis. It is much less expensive there than getting it here from Walgreens.*

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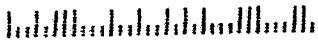
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